

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 1559, Wartime Supplemental Appropriations.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S4883–S4918*

**Measures Introduced:** Sixteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 792–807, S. Res. 105–106, and S. Con. Res. 33. **Pages S4897–98**

#### **Measures Reported:**

S. 196, to establish a digital and wireless network technology program, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 108–34) **Page S4897**

#### **Measures Passed:**

***Cesar Estrada Chavez Study Act:*** Senate passed S. 164, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of sites associated with the life of Cesar Estrada Chavez and the farm labor movement, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4910**

***High Plains Aquifer Hydrogeologic Characterization, Mapping, Modeling and Monitoring Act:*** Senate passed S. 212, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the High Plains Aquifer States in conducting a hydrogeologic characterization, mapping, and modeling program for the High Plains Aquifer, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4911–13**

***Illinois Hydroelectric Project Extension:*** Senate passed S. 220, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Illinois. **Page S4913**

***Mount Naomi Wilderness Boundary Adjustment Act:*** Senate passed S. 278, to make certain adjustments to the boundaries of the Mount Naomi Wilderness Area. **Page S4913**

***Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area Designation Act:*** Senate passed S. 328, to designate Catoctin Mountain Park in the State of Maryland as the “Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area”, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4913**

***Rim of the Valley Corridor Study Act:*** Senate passed S. 347, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a joint resource study to evaluate the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Rim of the Valley Corridor as a unit of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4914**

***Illinois Hydroelectric Project Extension:*** Senate passed H.R. 397, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Illinois, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4914**

***Cuban Democracy Activists Arrests:*** Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 97, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the arrests of Cuban democracy activists by the Cuban Government, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S4914**

Sessions (for Nelson (FL)) Amendment No. 525 (to the Preamble), to express the sense of the Senate regarding the arrests of Cuban democracy activists by the Cuban Government. **Pages S4914–15**

***Legal Representation Authority:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 105, to authorize testimony and legal representation in *State of New Hampshire v. Macy E. Morse, et al.* **Page S4915**

***Foreign Agricultural Service 50th Anniversary:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 106, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to the 50th anniversary of the Foreign Agricultural Service of the Department of Agriculture. **Page S4915**

***Wartime Supplemental Appropriations:*** Pursuant to the order of April 3, 2003, Senate passed H.R. 1559, making emergency wartime supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 762, Senate companion measure, as amended. **Page S4917**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Stevens, Cochran, Specter, Domenici, Bond, McConnell, Burns, Shelby, Gregg, Bennett, Campbell, Craig, Hutchison, DeWine, Brownback, Byrd, Inouye, Hollings, Leahy, Harkin, Mikulski, Reid, Kohl, Murray, Dorgan, Feinstein, Durbin, Johnson, and Landrieu. **Page S4917**

Subsequently, the April 3rd passage of S. 762 was vitiated and the bill was then placed back on the Calendar. **Page S4917**

**Guam South Elementary/Middle School Renaming:** Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 672, to rename the Guam South Elementary/Middle School of the Department of Defense Domestic Dependents Elementary and Secondary Schools System in honor of Navy Commander William "Willie" McCool, who was the pilot of the Space Shuttle *Columbia* when it was tragically lost on February 1, 2003, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4917**

**Nomination Considered:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Priscilla Richman Owen, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit. **Pages S4892–94, S4915–17**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, April 8, 2003. **Pages S4917–18**

## Appointments:

**Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress:** The Chair announced, on behalf of the Secretary of the Senate, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, the appointment of Paul Gherman, of Tennessee, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress. **Page S4917**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By unanimous vote of 80 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 126), Cormac J. Carney, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. **Pages S4891, S4918**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Richard James O'Connell, of Arkansas, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Arkansas for the term of four years.

Robert D. McCallum, Jr., of Georgia, to be Associate Attorney General.

Steven B. Nesmith, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Paul Pate, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2003.

Paul Pate, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2006. (Re-appointment).

Lane Carson, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2004.

James Broaddus, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2004.

Jose Teran, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2005.

19 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Marine Corps.

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## Messages From the House:

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## Additional Cosponsors:

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## Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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## Additional Statements:

**Pages S4895–97**

## Amendments Submitted:

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—126) **Page S4891**

**Adjournment:** Senate met at 3 p.m., and adjourned at 7:06 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, April 8, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4918.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

## APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management and Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, after receiving testimony from Jessie H. Roberson, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, and Margaret S. Y. Chu, Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, both of the Department of Energy.